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SUBJECT: US SCIENTIFIC PARTICIPATION IN JOINT II

1. FOL REQUEST HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY DEPT. FROM US NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION WHICH SUPPORTS FINANCIALLY THE SCIENTIFIC WORK MENTIONED:

2. "THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR ATMOSPHERIC RESEARCH (NCAR) RESEARCH AVIATION FACILITY IS PLANNING TO SUPPORT DR. D. W. STUART OF FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY AS PART OF THE COASTAL UPWELLING ECOSYSTEM ANALYSIS PROGRAM OF IDOE/NSF IN ITS EXPEDITION TO PERU KNOWN AS JOINT II. THE NCAR QUEEN AIR AIRCRAFT WILL BE SUPPORTING THIS PROGRAM DURING THE OPERATIONAL PERIODS OF MARCH-APRIL 1976 AND MARCH-APRIL 1977.

3. "INFORMATION GATHERED IN PERU DURING A RECENT NCAR SURVEY TRIP INDICATES THAT THERE COULD BE VERY LONG DELAYS IN CUSTOMS CLEARANCE, ESPECIALLY IN LEAVING PERU. THE PURPOSE OF THIS LETTER IS TO REQUEST DEPARTMENT OF STATE ASSISTANCE IN ASSURING THAT THERE WILL

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MENT OF STATE ASSISTANCE IN ASSURING THAT THERE WILL

BE NO DELAYS IN GETTING NCAR'S AIRCRAFT AND EQUIPMENT
THROUGH CUSTOMS ENTERING AND LEAVING PERU. NCAR IS

HEAVILY COMMITTED TO SUPPORT OTHER IMPORTANT RESEARCH
PROGRAMS WHICH FOLLOW JOINT II AND ANY DELAY WOULD
SERIOUSLY IMPAIR THEIR ABILITY TO SUPPORT THESE PROGRAMS.

4. "TO SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM, NCAR PLANS TO HAVE ON HAND
APPROXIMATELY \$30,000 WORTH OF U.S. GOVERNMENT-OWNED
GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT AND SPARE PARTS, IN ADDITION
TO THE INSTRUMENTED AIRCRAFT ITSELF. INSTRUMENTATION
COMPONENTS CRITICAL TO THE FLIGHT PROGRAM MAY REQUIRE
SERVICING DURING THE OPERATION IN PERU BY COMPANIES
IN THE UNITED STATES. THE OPERATION WILL REQUIRE
ELECTRONICS COMPONENTS TO BE DISPATCHED THROUGH CUSTOMS
WITHOUT DELAY."

5. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE IF EMBASSY WOULD MAKE
THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS TO FACILITATE US PARTICI-
PATION IN THIS PROJECT; INCLUDING THE REDUCTION OF
CUSTOMS DELAYS, AND KEEP US INFORMED.

6. PLEASE LET US KNOW IF THERE ARE ANY PROBLEMS OR
MORE INFORMATION NEEDED.

7. NCAR WILL INFORM YOU DIRECTLY OF FLIGHT PLANS
IN DETAIL WHEN SET. KISSINGER

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